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City officials don't buy Clinton's program

by Justin Crawford

Despite nationwide praise for President Clinton's recently implemented gun buy-back program, two Fitchburg officials say the program does not offer the best solution to curbing gun crime.

"Gun buy-backs are a public-relations scam and a waste of the taxpayers' money," Fitchburg Chief of Police Edward J. Gallant said in a recent interview. He said that since gun buy-backs don't take weapons out of the hands of criminals, they're not helping to solve the problem.

"The problem is not with the lawful use of guns," Gallant said. "Licensed gun ownership has never been a problem. We should not be making it harder for the everyday citizen to own a gun. The problem is with the unlawful use of guns by criminals."

Fitchburg Mayor Mary Whitney agreed that the people who sell back the guns "probably aren't the ones the police would be looking for."

Whitney said more emphasis should

be placed on solving the underlying problems that lead young people to obtain and use guns.

"What is the problem that results in a kid thinking he has to carry a gun?" Whitney asked during a recent interview. "Questions like this are where we should be focusing our attention and money. We should be more concerned with how and why a kid gets his hands on a gun in the first place."

Clinton's recently enacted program calls for \$15 million to be spent to buy back guns, mostly in inner-city neighborhoods, at a "suggested" price of \$50 per gun. In published statements, the president said that the recent spree of school violence across the nation figured heavily into the buy-back plan. But Whitney and Gallant said the problem of school violence remains outside the control of a program such as Clinton's.

"Emphasis should be put on education and counseling for kids, especially in the schools," Whitney said.

Whitney and Gallant did offer praise for a piece of Clinton's program, which will appropriate \$147 million to hire

1,600 additional police officers around the country. "The more police officers are brought in, the more crime will be fought ahead of time," Whitney said.

"This is a route I would rather like to see. Gun buy-backs might slow the problem down, but more police officers will better curtail the problem first."

Gallant said, "Anytime you can put more police officers on the street, this face-to-face contact will help to reduce crime."

Whitney and Gallant also agreed that consistent punishment for offenders is one of the most important steps in stopping illegal gun use. "To let people (criminals) off easy sends a message to other people that they can get away with crimes," Whitney said.

Gallant said, "The best approach has to do with enhancement of punishment for gun possession. A kid should be put into a realm of adult jurisdiction when he uses a gun. Whether or not you actually used that gun is not important, but the fact that you had that gun should enhance the penalty. This has to be broadcast widely and immediately to kids."

Falcons destroy long-standing record

by AnneMarie Donahue

Fitchburg State 21, Framingham State.
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Falcon tailback D'Andra Freeman and quarterback Rich Boardman managed to etch their names into the Fitchburg State College record books this Saturday, but it was the team that really deserved the recognition. Our FSC Falcons soared to their fourth win of the season on Oct. 16, against Framingham State College. This spectacular 21-13 win was one of the highlights of Falcon Fest.

The Falcons' comeback win over the visiting Rams improved this year's team record to 4-2 overall, and eclipsed their previous record of three wins in a single season. This record had stood for the 15-year history of the football program. The Falcons, 3-1 in the New England Football Conference, face

Maine Maritime Academy next week with new ambition because of this hard fought victory.

Freeman, the team's leading rusher, carried the ball a record 40 times for 214 yards. Boardman, to add flame to the growing FSC fire, threw for 128 yards, including the game-winning 9-yarder to Gene Clemons with 11:14 to go in the game. With two passing touchdowns, Boardman tied his own single-game record. FSC tailback Kevin Carlo put the finishing touches on the victory, bolting 27 yards for a

touchdown with 2:21 left in the fourth quarter.

Carlo, who ended the game, also started the FSC scoring binge with a 31-yard field goal in the first quarter. Thanks to the Framingham State quarterback, Luke Callahan, the Rams dampened the short-lived FSC lead with an 18-yard toss to Alex Tarpey. Within 20 seconds, Callahan had his hands on the ball again to score the second touchdown for Framingham State. This left the Rams with a smoldering 13-3 lead.

With the Falcons feeling the burn, Boardman hooked up with his favorite target, Clemons, for a 4-yard score pulling FSC within four points at 13-9. Fitchburg State's defense was solid, shutting out the Rams over the final three quarters and forcing five Rams turnovers. It also limited Framingham State to 73 yards rushing and sacked Callahan five times.

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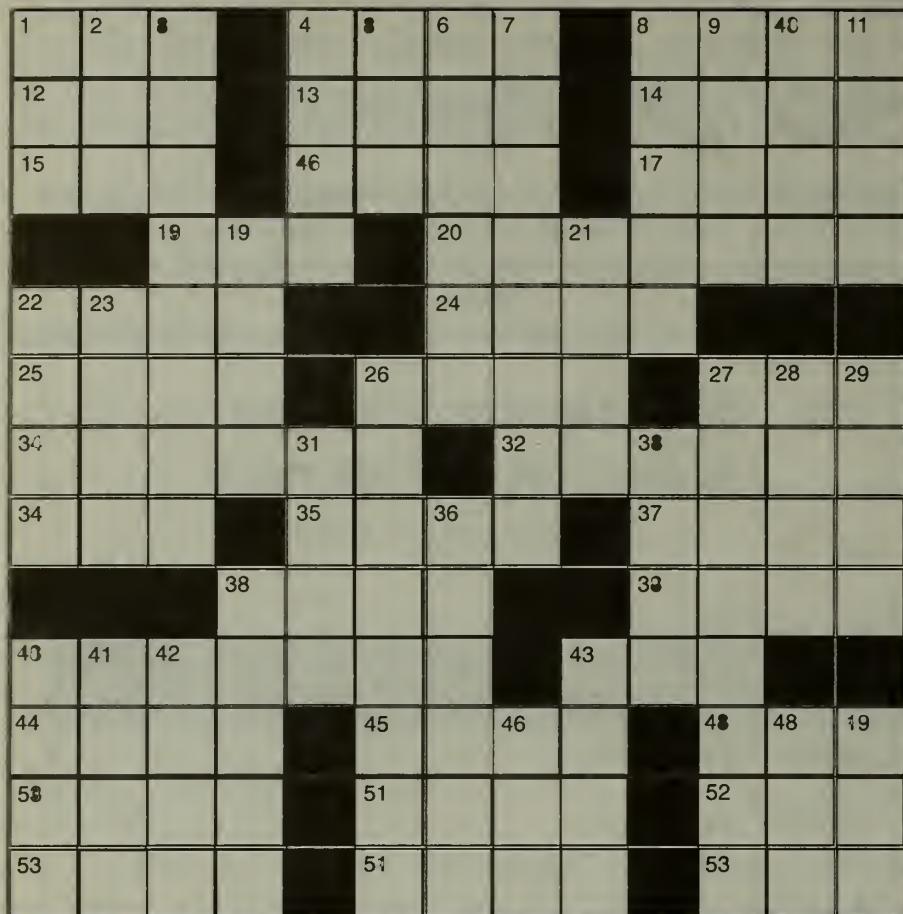
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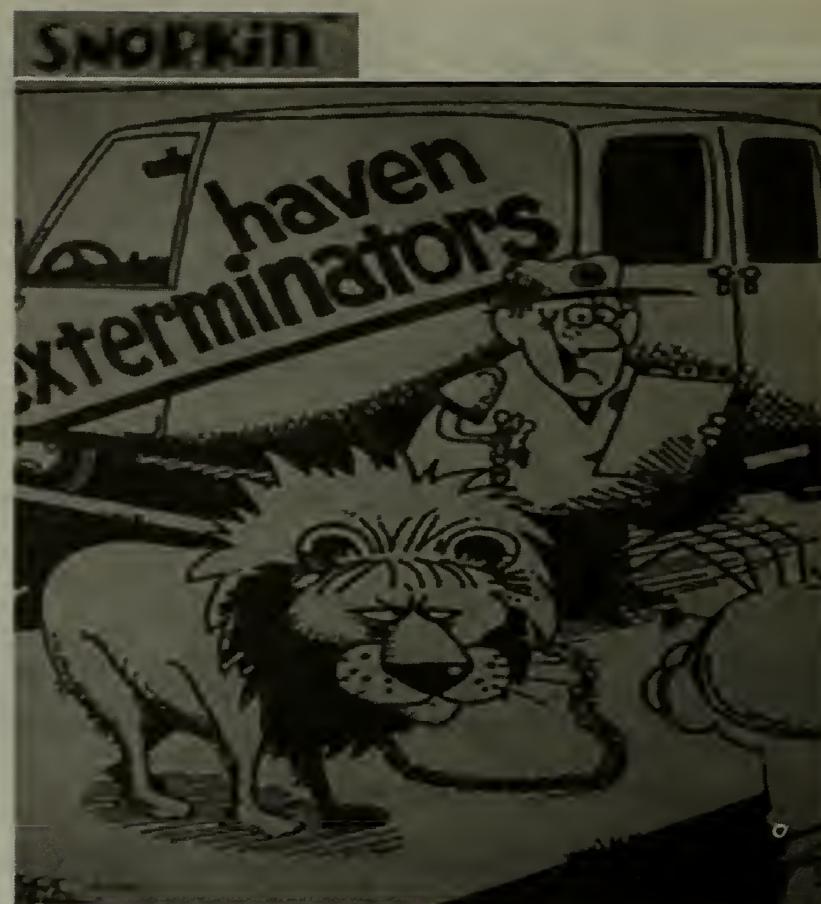
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"You the guy who called about the zebra problem?"

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Horror-scopes

Unfortunately, Cassandra was forced to return to her homeland when U.S. Immigration officials raided The Point office last week. Since no single astrologer could replace Cassandra, her column will be written by a new guest astrologer each week. The inspiration for this week's forecast was provided by Serena Aschgaard, a 23-year-old hand model from Gardner.

We hope the new format will continue to serve the needs of students who depend on these horoscopes to help them run their academic and social lives. And to those of you who are dependent on these horoscopes, we would like to ask: "What are you thinking?"

AnneMarie Donahue
editor-in-chief

Aries It's the time of the year when you must work until you drop, you worthless slime! However, if you do this with a smile you may come out on top. Keep up the hard work and you will gain helpful contacts, both public and private.

A complication in plans may come at you, but if you think about it logically and work it out methodically you will end up fine.

If you face a true hardship that you cannot confront alone, get a Gemini friend to help. If you succeed, then you will succeed only on your own terms; that is how Aries define honor.

Taurus Autumn colors have you captivated, and you are encouraged to find comfort and fun with others. However, something is holding you back from joining in on the illegal Frisbee game on the quad. You are looking for dedication and discipline even through immense distractions.

Don't worry - things take an interesting turn this week or the next, with job prospects looking up!

Things professional take on extraordinary promise.

Gemini You might be rethinking a relationship this month. Should you be in it? Should you dump that special someone? Should you think about buying a gun? NO!

You have very high standards and you are very picky and choosy; just because someone does one little thing to irritate you is no reason to kick them to the side of the curb... Unless they like being kicked, of course.

Try lightening up, unless it's driving you nuts to the point of sheer insanity and then end it.

Cancer You are a wandering gypsy, but your heart seeks a home. Why not call home since those bonds could use some re-enforcement, and take friends out to dinner to show them that you appreciate them?

Your personal problems are the topic of this week's episode of "The World Turns at FSC" so don't get too annoyed when you find others gossiping, let's try to remember that it was YOU who invented talking behind the back.

The flu is back with a vengeance and even the slightest illness could lead to a serious medical problem. Take care, eat soup.

Leo Is the dog collar a little too tight? Don't let this sudden restriction come as a knock to your independence. We all like to be tied up from time to time. Get out and hang with friends if you want to show your honey who's boss.

The talk is of redesigning and you rule the conversation with your creative flair and cheap techniques. Allow others to learn from you, but do not be offended if they think lime-green-and-melon isn't the phatest color combination in the world. Nobody's perfect, only you, hon.

Virgo Well, well, someone learned to talk... Congratulations, it's about time. This newly acquired skill will help you out in the money-matters department and make you look more desirable to friends. Taken Virgos will enter into a new realm of their relationship called "disgustingly happy" ... KNOCK IT OFF! You're making the rest of us sick! Single Virgos I have no advice for you, you are simply on your own.

Libra It's your birthday and you can cry if you want to, but why would you want to with everything about to turn your way? You haven't been having the best of times up until now, but that's all over. I'll share a little secret with you, we make our own luck - not the stars, not the planets and certainly not me. All work and no play makes Libra completely content, but for God's sake, try getting out, you don't have to worry about your retirement fund just yet!

Scorpio You are about to get on one of your little trips where you live inside your head and think think think. Why do you do that, when you know that it bothers your friends?

Why not try writing down what you are thinking about and then acting on it? If it's so important that you have to zonk out in the middle of G-lobby then try to change it in the real world.

Sagittarius Control freak on the rampage! Look out everyone, Sagittarius has gone on the war path. With your consciousness activated there is no stopping you and your mind is alive with things you want to do. Before you tell your roommate why she sucks and how she can suck less, you might want to bear in mind that she might not want to hear it.

Show gratitude to those who have helped you in the past and give assistance to those who ask for it, but do not under any circumstances bother people with what you think may save their lives. They don't care.

Capricorn You are lucky to have acquired almost everything you have ever hoped for. Whether this means you have the man of your dreams, you have a new car, got that job, or you are finally graduating, you have accomplished a lot to come to this point.

Do not get discouraged by a few minor stumbling blocks. The problem lies between home and work and the pull that both have on you. Don't panic, tend to both with time and energy and all will end up well.

Also, love is permanent now.

Aquarius You are completely free from the past and new opportunities are presenting themselves at every turn.

Because you are a natural optimist you are prone to reach for these opportunities at the speed of light. Did you know that light and thought travel at the same speed?

Don't worry about being too quick to jump the gun on certain things. Everything you touch turns to gold for you!

Try something fun and new, get your hair done. Also try taking on multiple tasks, you never know how much you can handle until you try!

Pisces You are a lone duck lately, but this is a big part of your new life. You are trying very hard to separate from those you used to know whether they were good for you or bad.

However hard it may be, keep trying, you will make new friends and the independence you gain from this experience will last you a lifetime.

To keep your spirits up try yoga and relaxation techniques.

If you really want to change something, think very deeply on it while meditating and a solution may present itself.

Murder isn't always a crime

by Robin E. Sandberg

"Double Jeopardy"
3 1/2 stars out of 5

You might want to think twice about double-crossing Ashley Judd from "Double Jeopardy."

When you wake up one morning and find out your husband has been murdered, the last thing you want to hear is that you are the suspect.

As for Libby Parsons (Judd) this was just the beginning of the rest of her life. Libby has now been sent to prison for a crime she didn't commit and must leave her son behind to her best friend Angie (Annabeth Gish). Angie soon disappears with Libby's son, only for Libby to learn she is living with her supposedly dead husband, Nick (Bruce Greenwood). Libby now must serve out the rest of her six-year sentence

with only two things on her mind: Finding her son and solving the enigma that has shattered her happy life. Luckily for "Double Jeopardy," the state cannot convict you for the same crime twice. Her mission, though, gets a bit more complicated when Travis Lehman (Tommy Lee Jones), Libby's parole officer, is one step behind her.

I think suspense/action movies can be wonderful as long as they have a strong plot behind them, as "Primal Fear" did.

"Double Jeopardy" had a fast-moving but complex plot, even though at times you question the probability of this. Ashley Judd was powerful, with explosive energy. You can't help but cheer her on as she runs after her fate. She's beautiful and strong at the same time. This is a touching film that just might strike an emotional chord, if Judd's pain gets to you. I'm not a huge



Ashley Judd stars in "Double Jeopardy."

fan of Tommy Lee Jones. I thought he played basically the same character he has in every other film since he won

the Academy Award for "The Fugitive." He's probably the most typecast actor in all of Hollywood.

'Harvey' is no Peter Cottontail!

By Robin E. Sandberg

Cast: Lara Fox, Carla Hayes, Thomas Murray, Karolyn Ptak, Judith Lindstedt, Sarah Zifcak, Liam Murphy, Chip Liscombe, Philip Maiewski, Jean Worfolk, James Sposato, Ronnie Cowart, Molly Dick.

Although "Harvey" has ended its run at Fitchburg State College, I would still like to congratulate all of the people

involved on a job well done. They deserve recognition for making this play one of the best performances FSC has ever seen.

There were several aspects to this play that made it thoroughly entertaining; some were obvious, while others may have been hidden from the audience. I plan to mention all of them.

Written by Mary Chase, the Pulitzer Prize-winning play is a tale about the slow descent into insanity that one man faces while drinking. While the issue seems to be alcoholism, the play is truly a plea for tolerance and understanding. All people could stand to see this film and learn about helping those we love, and even those we don't.

The play centers around Elwood, a man who constantly embarrasses his family by introducing them to his imaginary friend, a 6-foot-3-inch white rabbit.

Dr. Thomas Murray played Elwood, offering a superb mix of timing and physical comedy in his successful portrayal of a drunk. Carla Hayes, as Veta Louise Simmons, was exuberant in her portrayal of the sister at her wit's end with her drunken brother.

This play, produced as part of the AmeriCulture Arts Festival for

Fitchburg State College and the city of Fitchburg, was a wonderful addition to Falcon Fest.

Many of the technical aspects of the play were fantastic, such as the lighting by Adam Mendelson and the scenery design by Cap Corduan. Both did a wonderful job setting the mood.

The sets depicted a 1950s small town and stood up under the abuse of the boisterous play. The lighting, although subtle, was perfect for setting the mood. Each lighting scheme appeared to be well thought out and fit its appropriate scene with grace and ease.

Also, costuming was wonderful, adding to the Norman Rockwell-picture-gone-wrong feeling of the play.

Sarah Zifcak, who played Ruth Kelly, R.N., and Chip Liscombe, as Lyman Sanderson, M.D., had some interesting chemistry that carried into their performance perfectly fitting their characters. While the rest of the cast performed with wonderful timing and wit, the stars were definitely Murray and Hayes, who battled on stage with a wit that kept me laughing even after the curtain descended.



Although this play has ended its run the message of tolerance is not one to be missed. Therefore I highly recommend that any and all students rent the movie starring Jimmy Stewart and Josephine Hull.

The Leadership College

by
Anthony
Falvey

Presently I am attending my second semester here at Fitchburg State College, where leadership-oriented

slogans or themes seem to be used to designate each new year. I believe that last year's theme was, "The year of the leader in the community."

I have to admit- I did not pay particular attention to last semester's slogan. Actually, I did not understand it. Did the student who was a leader in the community get some kind of a break that I should have been aware of?

If there is someone who is reading this article, and who knows exactly why last year's slogan was selected- please feel free to inform me.

All right, I am going to carry forth with what I want to address here. Yes, it does have something to do with our college's choice for its new theme for this year. If you all have noticed, the

theme this year is "Leadership for the new millennium." Now, leadership is a word that I have become very familiar with. It is a word that has been widely used by an organization known as Reserve Officer's Training Corp.- ROTC for short. The ROTC program used to be present here at FSC, and it was one of the major reasons I was interested in attending FSC. ROTC is a program in which one attends college and military courses, and eventually graduates as a second lieutenant in the United States Army.

Well, to make a long story short- ROTC is a program no longer available here at FSC. According to reports made to me, ROTC was a program that did

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not gain much attention here at FSC. So the military program was dropped. Despite this inconvenience made to me, I still do participate with ROTC (as the sole FSC student to do so.) How do I carry forth with the military program? Oh- I get up at 4:30 a.m. almost every morning to attend "Leadership" classes at Worcester Polytechnical Institute in

Worcester.

Yes, there's that word again- Leadership. How can FSC decide to use such a word; a word that has been predominately used by a program (ROTC) that this college no longer supports? I do not know. I guess because I have to go out of my way for the ROTC program- that I can openly say I am disgruntled that FSC has simply gone forth and uses the word "Leadership," as if this college originally thought up the buzzword.

It is simply mind boggling to me that the college I attend- claims and "snatches" the word leadership; a word that was clearly established with the ROTC program, an authentic LEADERSHIP program. (Once again a program FSC fails to recognize... but indirectly borrows from.)

I will continue to attend ROTC, because leadership is not something to give up on.

Long Distance Runner

by Robin E. Sandberg

I'm here to remind everyone, in case you forgot, that there are some great bands out there that may not appear on MTV.

One of them is Long Distance Runner.

I don't know a whole lot about this band, but I did see them play at the Centrum Saturday night and I became extremely enthusiastic about this group.

This band has a nice mixture of punk and alternative.

Some of the songs they introduced were titled "Dedicated Engine," "Reanimation," and "Wire."

My personal favorite was their last song of the night, "Wire," with lyrics that include "we were still screaming silence."

The band is real cool as I was free to converse with them afterward and I

became an instant fan.

It's not often you see a local band with great potential. If you would like to check them out they will be appearing at the following::

Oct. 28 at T.T. The Bears Place Central Square, Cambridge at 9 p.m.; 18-plus, \$6.
Nov. 17 at The Middle East at 9 p.m.; 18-plus, \$6.



Monday Oct. 28 at Bill's Bar-Landsdowne St., Boston
9 p.m., 21-plus, \$5.

Tattoos as Accessories

by Robin E. Sandberg

"Motives range from experiment, wanting to continue the ever-going fad, and personal symbolism."

Every decade tattoos have been a form of expression but in the 1990s is it a statement or just decoration?

In the 1950s only hoodlums had tattoos, which marked "the bad ones." Then the 1960s turned the tattoo into a declaration of liberation, with symbols inspirational or spiritual. When the 1980s arrived the tattoo became more of a rebellion along with black leather and green hair. Now in the 1990s people of all ages and classes are experiencing art with a needle.

I'm at the most common age of tattooing, 21, but my tattoos are not simply for look. I notice that there are several different reasons people are hitting the tattoo parlors. Their motives range from experimentation, wanted to continue the ever-going fad, and personal symbolism. Also, it is not only 20-somethings anymore. Now tattoos are found on teen-agers and grandparents.

I got my first tattoo at 19 when I went to Montreal. I didn't want to get just any design but rather something that described a part of me. I chose a quarter-size ankh on my left lower back. As many others might tell you, it's an addiction much like alcohol and nicotine, one is never enough. So at 20 I made the commitment of going under the needle again by getting a Pisces symbol. This time it was at least 10 times the size of the ankh and in the middle of my back. I describe the pain to be excruciating and exciting. Once it's over it's completely worth it.

Some of my friends went the decoration route with a heart or a flower while others chose a yin-yang with dragons that was a deep rooted part of their inner self. I believe that if you are going to take the plunge it is important to remember that afterward it becomes a part of you for the rest of your life. It's also a good idea to start off with one that is easily covered by clothing.

I doubt that I will ever have any regrets, but anyone can change their mind. If you are absolutely sure that it is something you want to do it could be one of the best decisions of your life. Whether a tattoo is a fad or a personal symbol is all in how you view it.

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This column is a parody and not to be taken seriously. On a personal note, please be aware that you should not ask the advice of anyone who works for The Point, we're not good people.

-AnneMarie Donahue, editor-in-chief

Dear Mr. Free Advice,

I'm a good-looking 35-year-old guy who's easygoing and fun. I want to meet a girl and go out on dates so I can lead a normal life like everyone else. The only problem is that my mom doesn't think it's such a good idea. She doesn't believe that any woman would treat me as well as I deserve to be treated. She controls every aspect of my life, she dresses me, cuts up my meat for me, even drives me to and from school and she says that if a girl really loves me she'll do all this. Do you think there's a girl out there for me?

Momma's boy in Marlboro

Dear Momma's boy,

Yes, there is a girl out there for you. It's called the Russian order bride company. I'm sure they have a web site - visit it. The only problem is that you have to buy these women, but something tells me you are at peace with having to buy women.

Dear Mr. Free Advice,

You are never going to believe this, but I think I was abducted by aliens! Last night me and two buddies were drinking and we all started fooling around when I suddenly blacked out. The next thing I knew I woke up naked on the quad and I think my body had been violated. Do you think I should go to Campus Police?

Anal in Aubuchon

Dear Anal,

Okay, first off, aliens did not abduct you. Second, I don't think there is a crime against what happened, except in Utah.

Dear Mr. Free Advice,

I just got a great offer and I want to tell all the women at FSC about it! I'm a 19-year-old sophomore and I just met the man of my dreams. He's rich and smart and funny and he promised to buy me a car if I slept with him. Now I know what you're thinking, but before you write me off as just another hoochie let me explain. I don't have much money and I really want a car so I can get a job and go places. I met this guy at a basement party and we started talking, he told me that if I slept with him he would buy me a car! I think that women should use men for everything they have and feel proud about it!

Hoochie in Herlihy

Dear Hoochie,

Okay, so you met him at a basement party and you believe that he has enough money to buy you a car?

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Second you should never ever say, "Yeah, I'll sleep with you if you get me a car." That does make you a hoochie! Don't you have any self esteem!

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Poor defense forces Sox to the wall

Yankees 9 Red Sox 2

by AnneMarie Donahue

After Sunday's game the Red Sox were backed up against a wall, and not the friendly green giant. However, less than a week ago they were in the same position and able to take The Indians' place in the American League Championship Series. Even though by the time you read this, you'll know how the series went, you can relive the suspense by recalling those Monday-morning emotions.

A loss to the Yankees of 9-2 Sunday gave the Yanks a 3-1 lead in the series. Therefore the Red Sox could not afford



Solution to this week's crossword puzzle

(puzzle found on page 4)

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another loss without losing the series altogether.

As in other games, this one was peppered with poor defensive playing on the Sox behalf and umpiring blunders, which many believe cost them the game.

"The series is not over," Red Sox starting pitcher Bret Saberhagen said. "We fight back today and maybe the breaks will go our way. I've seen this team do it," he said.

The time that Saberhagen is possibly talking about is the 1986 ALCS race against the Angels. Boston came back from 3-1 to take the pennant.

Saberhagen pitched well in six innings, but it was Andy Pettitte who stole the show, pitching for 7.33. Although the game ended 9-2, this score was deceptive as to how well most of the game was played. Both pitchers kept the scores low, 3-2 going into the ninth, until Rickey's Ledee's grand slam home run with the bases loaded drove in four runs.

Defensive miscreants of the evening

were definitely Nomar Garciaparra, Saberhagen, Jose Offerman and Darren Lewis. The mistakes made by this team of deviants led to three unearned runs, including two in the fourth. These blunders allowed New York to jump up from a 2-1 loss into a 3-2 lead.

"It happens," said Garciaparra, who has committed four errors this series alone. "The fact of it is that you can't explain the game."

The six-run ninth would never have happened if not for the errors and sloppy defensive action on behalf of the Sox.

Boston's 2-1 lead could have steadily climbed if not for the poor judgement of third base coach Wendell Kim. Kim insisting Offerman head home got him thrown out at the plate in the third.

"Early in the game, you try that," Kim said, "but not late in the game. I've done that plenty of times before, but you guys never come see me when they're safe."

The Sox never scored again. Garciaparra made a bad throw on



Undoubtedly the worst call of the night was tossing Jimmy Williams out of his own ballpark.

Bernie Williams' grounder into the hole in the top of the fourth. Williams gained second. Then, with the score 2-2 and two men on, Curtis hit a topper down the first-base line that Mike Stanley fielded.

Save for one game, the Yankees have made the plays so far. The Red Sox haven't, the umpires haven't, and the gap between Sox' backs and the wall is down to nothing.

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